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In re Patent Application of:
Jörg Pastre et al.

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Art Unit: 1621

For: FLEXIBLE METHOD FOR THE JOINT
PRODUCTION OF (I) FORMIC ACID, (II) A
CARBOXYLIC ACID COMPRISING AT
LEAST TWO CARBON ATOMS AND/OR
THE DERIVATIVES THEREOF, AND (III) A
CARBOXYLIC ACID ANHYDRIDE

Examiner: K. J. Puttlitz

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the September 18, 2006 Office Action, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application in view of the:

Listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments that begin on page 5 of this paper.